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Wolfowitz Sworn in as 28th Deputy Secretary of Defense



r. Paul Wolfowitz was sworn in as the 28th Deputy Secretary of Defense during a ceremony held at 3:30 p.m. EST today, March 2, 2001, in the Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

Vice President Richard B. Cheney and Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld made introductory remarks formally welcoming Wolfowitz back to the Pentagon.

In remarks during the ceremony, Wolfowitz said, "This job is a great honor because we work for the people, but it is also a great responsibility. No one person can do any of these jobs alone, and I am thankful for the great patriots in and out of uniform who are here to help Secretary Rumsfeld and I get it right."

Until being sworn in as the 28th Deputy Secretary of Defense, Wolfowitz served for seven years as Dean and Professor of International

Relations at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies [at] the Johns Hopkins University.

He has served two previous tours in the Pentagon: as Under Secretary of Defense for Policy from 1989 to 1993, and as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Regional Programs from 1977 to 1980. He has also served as U.S. Ambassador to Indonesia, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and Pacific Affairs, and head of the State Department's Policy Planning Staff.

Wolfowitz is a graduate of Cornell University and the University of Chicago. He is the father of three children and lives in Chevy Chase, Md.

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Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld (left) and Deputy Defense Secretary-designate Paul Wolfowitz take questions from reporters during a March 1 Pentagon news briefing. Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Kathleen T. Rhem, USA

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